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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant submits this Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98 in the above-identified application for consideration by the Patent Office. A listing of the cited documents is also enclosed, as well as, for the Examiner's convenience, copies of the documents in the list. Pursuant to CFR § 1.97(b)(3), because this Statement is being submitted before the first Office Action on the merits, no fee is required.

The present application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 121, to serial number 09/364,051, and all references cited in the parent application should be considered by the Examiner. Under MPEP § 609, no copies of these references need be provided. The attached Form 1449 lists all of these references so the references should be printed on the patent.

Applicant does not intend to represent that any of the documents submitted herein are material prior art to this invention or that the list represents an exhaustive search of documents related to this invention.

Applicant respectfully requests that the documents submitted herein be considered and made of record in this application.

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